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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--JANUARY 1994

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.3 percent before seasonal adjustment in January to a level of 146.2 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in January, the CPI-U increased 2.5 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 0.2 percent in January, prior to seasonal adjustment. The January 1994 CPI-W level of 143.6 was 2.4 percent higher than the index in January 1993.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was unchanged in January after increasing 0.2 percent in December. The index for food fell 0.1 percent in January, primarily as a result of smaller than seasonally anticipated price increases for fruits and vegetables. The energy index, which declined throughout most of 1993, continued to fall in January, declining 0.8 percent as a result of decreases in the indexes for both household and motor fuels. The 0.1 percent advance in the CPI-U excluding food and energy for January follows a 0.2 percent increase in December and reflects a smaller rise in shelter costs.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

			Seasona	lly adius	ted				
Expenditure		Chan	ges from	precedi	Compound annual rate	Unadjusted 12-mos.			
category			11	1993			1994	3-mos. ended	ended
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan. '94	Jan. '94
All items	1.1	.3	.1	.3	.3	.2	.0	1.9	2.5
Food and beverages	.0	.4	.3	.4	.2	.5	-:1	2.5	2.7
Housing	.1	.3	.2	.2	.2	.2	1.	2.0	2.6
Apparel and upkeep	1	.7	4	1	.7	1	1	1.8	.5
Transportation	.4	.1	.0	1.0	.0	2	2	-1.5	1.9
Medical care	.4	.3	.4	.5	.3	.3	.3	3.8	5.1
Entertainment	1	.3	.2	.4	.5	.3	.3	4.7	2.9
Other goods and									
services	.4	6	-1.0	.3	.4	.4	.1	3.6	2.1
Special indexes:								"	
Energy	.0	7	4	1.9	9	7	8	-8.9	-2.0
Food	.0	4	.3	.5	.2	.5	1	2.3	2.8
All items less food	1								2.0
and energy	.2	.3	.1	.3	.4	.2	.1	2.9	2.9

Note: Seasonal factors have been recalculated to reflect developments in 1993 and a modification of seasonal adjustment procedures. For this reason, some of the seasonally adjusted figures shown above and elsewhere differ from those previously published. See sechnical note on page 6 of this release for details.



The food and beverage index decreased 0.1 percent in January. Grocery store food prices, which increased 0.7 percent in December, fell 0.3 percent in January. This deceleration was largely the result of a downturn in the index for fruits and vegetables, which declined 2.5 percent in January after increasing 3.2 percent in December. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, however, fruit and vegetable prices continued to advance, up 2.0 percent in January and 11.7 percent in the last 6 months.) In January, the indexes for fresh fruits and fresh vegetables fell 4.2 percent and 3.9 percent, respectively. The index for processed fruits and vegetables increased 0.7 percent. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs edged up 0.1 percent in January, following a decline of the same magnitude in December. Prices for beef and poultry each declined in January, but these decreases were more than offset by increases in the indexes for pork, other meats, fish and seafood, and eggs. The indexes for cereal and bakery products and dairy products rose 0.4 and 0.9 percent, respectively. The index for other food at home was unchanged in January. The other two components of the food and beverage index-restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages-rose 0.1 and 0.2 percent, respectively, in January.

The housing component rose 0.1 percent in January, following increases of 0.2 percent in each of the preceding 4 months. A slightly smaller increase in shelter costs--up 0.2 percent in January after increasing 0.3 percent in each of the preceding 2 months--accounted for most of the deceleration. Within shelter, renters' costs were unchanged, homeowners' costs rose 0.2 percent, and maintenance and reparacosts increased 1.0 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities, which declined slightly in both November and December, fell 0.4 percent in January. The index for household fuels decreased 0.9 percent, reflecting declines in each of the major components. The index for fuel oil declined for the seventh consecutive month--down 1.9 percent in January. Charges for natural gas and electricity fell 0.4 and 1.1 percent, respectively. The index for other utilities and public services increased 0.1 percent in January, as a decrease in charges for telephone services was more than offset by increases in water and sewerage maintenance and refuse collection. The index for household furnishings and operation increased 0.2 percent in January.

Transportation costs declined 0.2 percent in January, the same as in December. The index for gasoline fell 0.4 percent in January, continuing its nearly year-long decline, which was interrupted only by the 4.3 percent increase in October associated with the 4.3 cents per gallon Federal excise tax increase. As of January, the gasoline index was 6.5 percent lower than a year earlier and 19.7 percent below its peak level of December 1990. Automobile purchase costs rose slightly in January. The index for new cars rose 0.1 percent, while automobile finance charges fell 0.1 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, new car prices increased 0.4 percent. As of January, the proportion of 1994 models in the index was about 80 percent of the new car sample.) The index for used cars, which increased 8.0 percent in 1993, fell 0.9 percent in January, its biggest drop since a similar decrease in January 1992. The index for public transportation declined 1.8 percent in January, as a 2.0 percent decrease in airline fares more than offset a 1.4 percent rise in fares for other intercity transportation.

The index for apparel and upkeep declined 0.1 percent in January, the same as in December. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, the index dropped 1.7 percent.) Price discounting associated with post-holiday sales of fall-winter wear more than offset price increases for newly introduced spring and summer merchandise.

Medical care costs rose 0.3 percent in January to a level 5.1 percent above a year earlier. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--increased 0.4 percent in January. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent in January. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.2 and 0.3 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs increased 0.3 percent in January, the same as in December. Increases in charges for admissions and in fees for participant sports, more than offset a decline in the index for entertainment commodities.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.1 percent in January, following a 0.4 percent increase in December. Increases in educational expenses--tuition and school books and supplies--more than offset a decline in the index for tobacco and smoking products. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, tobacco prices rose 1.0 percent.)

CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers rose 0.1 percent in January.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

			Seasona	lly adju	isted				
Expenditure			ges from	Compound annual rate	Unadjusted 12-mos.				
category				1993			1994	3-mos. ended	ended
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan. '94	Jan. '94
All items	.1	.1	.1	.4	.2	.1	.1	1.7	2.4
Food and beverages	.1	.3	.3	.4	.2	.4	.1	2.6	2.6
Housing	1.1	.3	.1	.3	.1	.2	.1	1.7	2.6
Apparel and upkeep	1	.5	·.2	.1	.4	3	.3	1.5	.8
Transportation	.3	.0	.0	1.1	2	2	2	-1.8	1.7
Medical care	.3	.0 .3 .3	.0	.4	2 .3		2 .3 .3	4.0	5.0
Entertainment	.0	.3	.2	.3	.6	.4	.3	4.5	2.8
Other goods and									
services	.4	8	-1.6	.3	.5	.3	.1	3.2	1.0
Special indexes:									
Energy	.0	7	5	2.0	-1.0	7	8	-9.3	-2.2
Food	.1	.3	.3	.5	.2	.3	.1	2.3	2.8
All items less food									
and energy	.2	.2	.1	.3	.3	.3	.1	2.4	2.7

Consumer Price Index data for February will be released on Wednesday, March 16, 1994, 8:30 A.M. (EST).

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Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total population and (2) a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and the other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from about 57,000 housing units and approximately 19,000 retail establishments-department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 29 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities, they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price change from a designated reference date--1982-84 which equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

For further details see BLS Handbook of Methods, Chapter 19, the Consumer Price Index, Bulletin 2414, September 1992.

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example below illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Index Point Change

CPI Less previous index Equals index point change	. 115 111 4	
	Percent Change	
Index point difference Divided by the previous index Equals Results multiplied by one hundred Equals percent change	111 0.04 0.040x10	40

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

Each year, following release of the December CPI, new and updated seasonal factors are estimated based upon the addition of the most recent year's monthly data. These factors are introduced initially with release of the data for January and used throughout the remainder of the year. The output of this process not only entails the generation of current seasonal factors, but also revised and updated factors to be applied retrospectively to the immediately preceding 5 years of CPI data. Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method.

The seasonal movement of the all items index and 47 other aggregate indexes is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 60 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. Beginning with the seasonal adjustment of 1993 data, released in February 1994, the following changes were made to the seasonal adjustment procedures used for the CPI. First, direct seasonal adjustment of aggregates, the component series of which were not all seasonally adjusted, were tested independently for the presence of seasonality. In cases where the aggregate index exhibited significant seasonality, the component series were then seasonally adjusted, even if they did not meet the normal adjustment criteria on their own, provided that seasonal adjustment of the components did not reduce the quality of the seasonally adjusted aggregate series. Second, this year component series were seasonally adjusted in the first year that they met the adjustment criteria. Previously, when a series exhibited seasonal tendencies, it was monitored for 3 years before changing its status from unadjusted to seasonally adjusted.

These changes in procedures were made because they resulted in a better seasonal adjustment of the CPI and lessened the index's earlier tendency to show higher rates of price change in the early months of the year than in the later months. It is of interest to note that the new seasonal factors differ most from previous factors in the estimate they produce for 1-month seasonally adjusted changes in the index between December and January. This new seasonal pattern is due in equal parts to the addition of data for 1993 and to the use of the new procedures outlined above.

These changes have resulted in a significant addition to the number of component series being seasonally adjusted compared with prior years. In 1994, 50 of the 60 series now meet the adjustment criteria compared with 34 series last year. The impact of these changes on the monthly seasonally adjusted all items index in 1993 is shown below with the original and recalculated seasonally adjusted percent changes.

A more detailed description of our seasonal adjustment procedures is available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, D.C. 20212, contact Claire McAnaw Gallagher on (202) 606-6968.

Over-the-month percent changes in the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), seasonally adjusted, using former and recalculated seasonal factors for 1993

1993	Former	Recalculated	Difference
January	.5	.2	3
February	.3	.4	.1
March	.1	.2	.1
April	.4	.3	1
May	.1	.2	1
June	0	.1	1
July	.1	.1	0
August	.3	.3	0
September	0	.1	.1
October	.4	.3	1
November	.2	.3	.1
December	.2	.2	0

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CP1-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

CPI-U	Relative importance. December	Unadjuste		Percent cl	sted hange to	Seaso Perce	maily adjust at change f Boy. to	ted ros-
Expenditure category	1993	1993	1994	Jan. 1993	Dec. 1993	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
A11 1tems :1967-1001	100.000	145.8	149.2	2.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0
F44 b	17-295	143.3	144.3	2-7		-2	-5	1
Food an beverages Food at hore Cereals and bakery products Heats, poultry, fish, and eggs Dairy products Fruits and vegetables Other food at hone Sugar and sweets Fats and oils		155.7	160.3	3.3	1.1			-:1
Dairy products	1.186	130 - 5	131.6	1:3	1:1	-:}	- 1	-2.3
Other food at home	2.320	130.3	132.2 134.5 131.3	1:1	1-9	: 1	: 6	.0
Fats and oils beverages some soul food the prepared food saws from home alcoholic beverages	1.030	112-2	145.0	3:3	1:1	:1	: 5	-:1
Alcoholic beverages	1.600	150.3	151.0	1:8	:5	:1	:1	: 1
Shelter	27:326	157:1	158:1	1:3		:3	:}	:1
Rent. residential	7.964 5.771 2.213	151:5	155.5	3:3	4.5	:	: 3	-: 3
Ovners' equivalent rent 1/	15.766	163.3	163.2	3.0			:3	:
Maintenance and repairs 27	:111	130.8	131:3	-2:8	1.0	-2:1	-:}	1.0
Housing Shelter costs 1/ Rent. residential Other renters costs Homeowners costs 1/ Owners' equivalent rent 1/ Household insurance 2 17 Haintenance and repair 27 Maintenance and repair services 2/ Haintenance and repair services 2/ Fuel and other utilities Fuels	7:262	177:5	171:3	7:8	1.7	1.5	-1.1	1.9
fuels oil and other household fuel	3:363	88.3	85.9	-3.7	=:1	=:3	=:1	\$
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy	3.614	118.1	118.0	1.8	1	4	-1.7	-1.1
Household furnithings and operation	3.279	148.8	148.9	1:3	: 1	:}	:1	:1
Fuel and other utilities Fuels and other household fuel commodities Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) Other utilities and public services 7/ Household furnishings and operation houseturnishings Housekeeping supplies Housekeeping supplies Housekeeping supplies	1:107	128-3	131.5	1 - 2	-:5	- }		-:1
Apparel and upkeep	5.897		120-4	.5	-1-2	-1	1	1
Hen's and boys apparel	1:333	137.7	127:0	1.0		3	-: }	
Apparel and upkeep Apparel commodities Men's and boys 'apparel' uomen's and garis 'apparel' Infants' and toddlers' apparel Footwear Other apparel commodities Apparel services 2/	:203	125.8	133:3	-1:8	-1:1	-:1	-:}	-1:9
Apparel services 2/	:361	153:8	133:3	-1:3	1:6	- :3		
Transportation Private transportation Rev vehicles Rev cars Used cars Motor fuel Gasoline Maintenance and repairs Other private transportation commodities	15:233	135.6		1:3	-:5	-:1	-:1	-:1
Used cars	3:031 1:243	135.3	134.7	1:1	-1:		: 6	
Gasoline	1:223	133.0	155:	-3:3	=1:1	=1:}	-1:3	- 1
Other private transportation	.629	159.0	159.5	1:3	.3	. 3	.6	.2
Other private transportation services Public transportation	7:834	174:3	173:5	3:3	-:}	1:1	:2	-1:1
Medical care	7.108		206.4	5.1			.3	-1.0
Medical care commodities Medical care services Professional medical services	1:337	205 - 2 197 - 0 207 - 1	200.4	3:1	:	:}	:	: 1
Entertainment commodities	1:333	127:3	124:3	1:3	:}	-:1	:}	-:1
Other goods and services	1:027	111:3	111:1	-2:1	1:8	:\$	-:\$	-:1
Personal care 1/ Toilet goods and personal care, appliances 2/	. 628	140.1	140.5	2.0	.1		1	.)
Personal care services 2/ Personal care services 2/ Personal and educational Expenses School books and supplies Personal and educational services	4:112	146 - 1 200 - 4 219 - 0	146 - 3 218 - 3 203 - 4 219 - 7	2:3	1:5			: 2
Personal and educational services Commodity and service group	3.863	219.0	219.7	6.4			:6	:3
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Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages	17.395 26.145 13.375	123:3	132.6	1:3	-:}	:6	-:}	-: 8
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	10:370	127.7	127:3	-3.0	-:1	-:1	-1.0	-:8
Household services Tess rent of	10.570 27.337		104.3	2:5	::	:3	:3	: 4
Transportation services	9 - 200 7 - 646 5 - 821	134:3	137:1	2:0	:1	- :	1	- 3
Other services	7:344	181:6	182:3	6:5		. 1	. :4	:4
All items less food	84-201	144.4	144.4	2.4	-1	:}	-1	-1
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Services less rent of shelter 1	14:117	123:4	135.0	:1	-: 1	.0	= 1	-:1
Energy less medical care services	30 - 533 50 - 533 77 - 208	183 3	181:3	-2.6	-1:3	-:}	-: 9	
Energy All Items less energy All Items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities				2.9	:3		:3	
Services less energy services	32:350	125.7	125:4	-3:8	-2:0	-1:}	-1:3	-: }
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PI-U	1993	1993	1993	17				.7	2.8	1.9	2.7		
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Dairy products fruits and vegetables Other food at home Sugar and sweets	133	9 130	: 6	0.5	145.6	ì	3		1.9	1:7	- 1:	3	1.7
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Owners equivalent rent 17	13	1		30.8	131	1		1.1	1:3	-1:3		: 5	-2.0
Maintenance and repair services		3-1 15	1:2	11:3	110.		1.6	-1.9	-8.1	-12.6		4.5	-1.0
Shelter Enters coats Best revidential Diber revident coats Nomerowers National repair revides National repair repair commodities 2/ National coats Fuel and other distillers		19.3	18.8	111:3	317.	,	1:1	1:1	3:4	1			
fuels oil and other house commodites commodites (energy commodites and electricity (energy commodites and public services for the commodite for a shadow and operation for a shadow commodite for a shadow com	: 1	10.0	10.1	178:7	120		1.9	1.0	7.2	-1:		1:1	3:8
Other utilities and operation	:	33:0	31:3	131:3	131:	. 9	1:1 .	-3.0		1:		::}	1:2
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Other apparel commodities	**	121-2	131-3	131:	11		3:4	3.7		-		3:6	1
Transportation			133:1	133:	1	1.1	1.0	-13:1		:1			-3:3
		131		**	9 1		-1:1	-11:	4.	. :	3:8	1:3	2.4
Used Cars Motor fuel Gasoline Gasoline Maintenance and repairs Other private transportation Cther private transportation Commodities		157.0	156:1	102		2.9	-1.5	-2.	, -		2.5	12:3	3:2
Other private transportation		103.1	171-1	171		1:1	1:1	29:	1 1	3	3.0	6.0	4.2
Services		139:3	203.4	304			3:1	1	; ;			1.3	3.9
Public transportation		197 1 204 - 1	127:0	207	1	04 - 7 23 - 4 04 - 5	1:1		,		1-1	1.3	1:1
Medical care communities Medical care services Medical care services Professional medical services		144.2	137:3	155	:1	15:3	3.1	1	1	:	1:1	2.4	
Entertainment commodities Entertainment services		162:3	163.7	164	-		1:3	-5	÷ -2	. 9	-1:1	1:1	-11:
Entertainment services Other coods and services Other coods and services Tobacco and smalle products	****	111:	114:	11		113:3				9		3:6	. :
Other coods and services Tob-co and smoking products Personal care and personal care Tollet goods and personal care Personal care agrees 2/ Per onal and educational expenses S hool books and supplies Personal and educational services Personal and educational services		122:3	148:	1 1:	2.1	140.	1:			3.0		1:1	1
Porsonal care services 2/	*****	114.6	113:	20	6.1	218.8	6.		7.9	3.2			
Personal and educational services .		215.0).	1	1:3	1:1	1	1:1	. !
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Services less energy services indexes on a December 1987- bot seasonally adjusted. Data not evaluable month as													

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, all items index -1982-84-100, unless otherwise noted)

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CPI-U ""	schedule	0ct. 1993	1993	1991	1052	1443	1993	1993	P\$\$5	1993	1993
E.S. cate average	*	145.7	1+5.9	1+5.5	1+0.2	2.5	0.3	0.3	2.7	0.1	0.0
Size A - More than 1 200,000		152.5 151.0 151.0	152.7 153.3 151.2	157:7	151.3	2.3 3.0 1.9		: 3	2:5	::	-:1
Borth Central urban 1 200 000	•	141.5 142.6 142.6	141:4 142:5 140:1 142:6	141-2	141:3 141:3 141:1 121:1	2.5	-:1	:0	2:1 2:1	::1	-:1
South orban 512e A - More than 1 200 000 512e B - 450 000 to 1 200 000 512e C - 10 000 to 450 000 512e D - Monnetrapolitan (less than 50 000)	1	142.2 142.5 143.8 141.5	142.3 142.4 143.4 141.1	142.7	142.5	3.0 2.2 2.3 3.2	::	:1	1:1	.0	::
Size A - More than 1 250 600		14:}	127:3	127:5	1:9:1	3:8	:3	:1	3:3	:1	.:]
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Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Loke County IL-18-VI Los Angeles-Anabelm-Eliverside CA k.YBorthern N.JLong Island NY-NJ-CT Phil -Vilmington-Trenton PA-NJ-DE-ND San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose CA		150.5				1.0	: 1			-:1	-:
Baltimore, MD Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-RH Cieveland-Akron-Lorain, OH Hisma-Fort Lawferdale, FL St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL Vochington, DC-MD-VA							-:		i	:	
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX Pittaborgh-Beaver Valley, Pa		1313	:		. :	:	:	:	1:1	-i:	:

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N - Every month.

1 - January, March. May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August. October, and December.

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Expendature category	1993	1993	1994	Jan. 1993	Dec. 1993	Hov.	Bov. to Dec.	Jan.
All Items (1967-100)	100,000	143.3	147:5	2.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Food and beverages Food at home Cereals and bakery products Meats, positry, fish, and eggs Bairy products Fruits and vegetables Other food at home Sugar and sweets Fats and oils Nonalconolic beverages Other prepared food Food away from home Alcoholic beverages	9-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	142-27 145-6 136-6 136-6 136-6 136-7 136-7 136-7 136-6 136-7 136-7 136-8		200 4 4 200 1 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	66 B 10 B	220000000000000000000000000000000000000	2	or constitution of the con
Housing Shelter costs 1/ Bent: residential Other renters costs Homeowhers costs 1/ Bousehold insurance 2/ 1/ Maintenance and repair 27/ Maintenance and repair services 2/ Fuel and other utilities Fuel oil and other household four commodities Gas (piped) and electricity energy services 2/ Other utilities and public services	23:004	39.7 153.9 153	20 - 2 25 - 4 25 - 5 25	22-55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55	1.0	-1-6		
fuel and other utilities	7:523	111:3	121:1	1:3	2.4	-:9	-2.0	2.4
fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	.339	88.2	88.9	-3.6		4	-1.7	-1.5
Other utilities and public	3.754	117.7	117.5	1.6	2	2	1	6
Household furnishings and operation Rousefurnishings Rousefurnishings Rousekeeping supplies Rousekeeping services	3.429			1:4		-:	:	.0
Apparel and upkeep Apparel commodities Men's and boys apparel Infants and toddlers apparel Footwear Other apparel commodities Apparel services 2/	5-309 5-379 12-356 -562 -530	131.3	129.5	-1.5	2.00	-1.5		-1:3
Transportation Private transportation Bew vehicles New vehicles Used Cars Motor fuel Gasoline Maintenance and repairs Other private transportation Used Carses Public transportation	15 - 66 3 3 - 60 4 3 - 70 5 3 - 61 5 5 - 68 5	130 . 6 128 . 5 140 . 2 144 . 5 154 . 5 154 . 5	130 - 7 134 - 4 137 - 5 127 - 5 146 - 8 155 - 3	-1:4		-1-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-		
Public transportation	1:331	197:1	198:3	7:1	-:\$	1:3	:1	-1:3
Medical care commodities Medical care commodities Medical care services Professional medical services	1:011	195 · 1 195 · 1 186 · 0	205 - 8 122 - 2 208 - 0 189 - 0	3:1	:	. :}	:	:
Entertainment commodities	7:877	123:1	133:1	1:5	:	:1	: :}	: }
Other goods and services	1:121	127:0	113:}	-1:8	1:0	:5	-:1	- }
Other goods and services Tobacco and smoking products Personal care 2/ Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ Personal care services 2/ Personal and educational Expenses School books and supplies Personal and educational services	3.240	140 · 7 213 · 3 214 · 3		3:3	1:5	: 3	:	
Connedity and service group	100.000	141.1	143.4	2.4				
All stems Commodities Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages Nondurables less food and beverages Apparel commodities Nondurables less food, beverages Durables less food, beverages	12:300	121 7		-1:7	-1:0		-:3	
Durables Services	11:310	127:3	134:7	1:1	::1	-:1	-1:3	ij
Services Rent of Shelter 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/	7:171 2:341	163:3	124.2 163.6 176.9	3:3	.0			-1
Special indexes								
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Services less medical care services Energy All items less energy All items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities Energy commodities Purchasing power of the consumer dollar: 1982-8-51.00 2/	25.978 48:862	124:7 123:1 1:532	122:5	-1:1	-i;}	-1:}	-1:3	-:0

^{1/} Indexes on a December 1984-100 base.
2/ Bot seasonally adjusted.
2 Data not available.
BOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Surkers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1882-86-80) unless otherwise noted)

(1982-84-100, unless otherwise noted)	Season	ally ad	usted 10	dezes	-	Season	ally ad	usted an	sual rate	
CPI-W	Oct . 1993	1993	Pec ;	1994	1853	3 months	percent ended- Oct 1993	issi	6 months	ended-
Expendature category										
Food and beverages Food at tone Food at tone Cereals and bakery products Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs Dairy products Fruits and vegetables Other food at home Sugar and sweets Fats and onls Nonale/sholic beverages Other prepared food Food away from home Alcoholic beverages	142-5 141-9 1457-9 1358-6 1451-9 1318-8 1318-8 1458-8 1458-8	142.8 242.5 158.3 137.0 130.5 131.5	1 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	143-47 142-11 159-6 130-13 130-13 131-9 1310-13 145-3 151-1	7 7777777777777777777777777777777777777	2	445000000000000000000000000000000000000	7 6-169447599Bmg/	e one and and a second	3.200
Housing Shelter Benters' costs 1/ Rent, residential Other renters' costs Boneowers' costs 1/ Owners' equivalent rent 1/ Bousehold insurance 2/ 17 Maintenance and repair 27 Maintenance and repair services Maintenance and repair commodities 2/ Fuel and other utilities Fuel oil and other household fuel	55-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5	7-7-1-6-5-5-4-6-5-5-4-6-6-5-5-4-6-6-5-5-5-4-6-6-5-5-5-4-6-6-5-5-5-4-6-6-5-5-5-4-6-6-6-6	1405555555555555.	15.25947.559854 45.459447.7729 45.459447.7729	3322	047-0-05/00-07-0	***************************************	13.6	***************************************	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy Other services) Other utilities and public services 2/. Household furnishings and operation Housekeeping supplies Housekeeping services	118 1	114:3	114 - 2	117 - 3 119 - 3 109 - 9 131 - 7	1:5	1	1:4	1100	*:0	-10.9
Apparel and upkeep Apparel commodities Nem's and boys' apparel Unem's and girls' apparel Infants' and toddlers' apparel Other apparel commodities Apparel services 2/	129 - 6	132-7	133.3	132.7	-18:30	1	1.0	-1:	-5:3	1:1
Private transportation Rev vehicles Bov cars Used cars Gasolise Raintenance and repairs Other private transportation	130 - 8 135 - 0 135 - 0 135 - 0 135 - 0 147 - 7 153 - 6	130 - 6 135 - 7 135 - 7 135 - 6 156 - 0 156 - 0 156 - 0	102.2	102.3		-100	1000000	-1	-2.1	
Public transportation Medical care commodities Medical care revices Medical care services Professional medical services	100 : 1 125 : 2 125 : 3	191:1	205 : 1 207 : 1	127:2	1:5	17:0	1:3	1:4	3:1	3:1
Entertainment 2/ Entertainment account services Entertainment commodities Entertainment services	123:3	133:3	124:3	100:0	1.4	1.7	}:} }:}			1:1
Other goods and services	111:0	121:3	122:5	123:3 113:3	1:2	-1:3 -1:3	-51:4	-1:1	1:1	-11:1
Other goods and services Tobacco and souting products Personal care 2/ Tollet goods and personal care appliances 2/ Personal care services 2/ Personal and educational Expenses School books and supplies Personal and educational services	100.3	149:7	140.7	141:0 141:0 141:4 141:4 141:4	3:7	1		1:5	1:0	3.5
Commodity and service group It items Commodities Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages Nondurables less food and beverages Apparel commodities Bondurables less food, beverages Durables Durables	1212	131:3	121:2	131:9 131:9 124:8 126:1	7587800		2:5	1:1	1:0	-2:3
Durables Services Rent of aheiter 2/ 1/2 Rouashold services Teas rent Transportation Services	121:0				3 .0			1:1	1	1.0
Other services				100	1:1	1:1	1:1	::1	1:1	1:1
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Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, all items index (1982-84-100, unless otherwise noted)

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CPI-W ""	schedule	1953	1993	Dec 1993	Jan. 1994	1993	1993	Dec 1993	Dec 1992	0ct. 1993	1993
U.S. city average	•	143.3	143.4	143.3	143.6	2.5	0.1	0.2	2.5	0.0	-0.1
Size A - More than 1 200 000	i	159:3 149:8 149:7	150.4 150.0 149.2 152.8	190.4 149.9 149.4 152.6	150 - 6 150 - 2 150 - 1	1.7	:1	:1	3.5	:1	-:
Size A - More than 1 200 002 Size A - More than 1 200 002 Size B - 300 000 to 1 200 000 Size C - 50 000 to 360 000		136.5 139.1 136.4 139.7	136.5 135.5 130.4 148.2	138.5 136.5 136.5 140.0	136.5 135.8 137.4 140.0	2.3 2.5 2.0	.0 -:i	:	3.3	=:}	=:
(less than 50,000)	*	136.2	136.0	135.6	131.3	2.3	5	2	2.6	4	•.
South wrban 51re 8 - Nore than 1 250 000 51re 8 - 450 000 to 1 200 000 51re 5 - 50 000 to 45 000 51re 5 - 80 000 to 45 000		140.3	141.4	140.8	1:1:0	2.1	-:1	:		-: 8	-:
Size A - Nore than 1 250 600	i	1:::}	1:1:0	1:3:0	145.3	3.3 3.3	:3	:1	3.1	3	-:
2/	1	121:2		121:2	121.7	2.2	-:1	::	2:5	-:1	
Selected local areas											
hicago-Gary-Labe County, IL-IS-WI. os Angeles-Anabelm-Riverside CA. ,YRorthern R.JLong Island, NY-NJ-CT hiiWilmington-Trenton, Pa-NJ-DE-MD an Francisco-Dakland-San Jose, CA				152 - 1	147.0			i	7.0	-0	•
taltimore, MD oston-Lawrence-Salem, NA-MM leveland-Akron-Lorain, DN lawland-Fort Lauderdale, FL it, Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ashington, DL-MD-VA		:		:		1.0		:	:	:	:
Dallas-fort Worth, TE Detroit-Ann Arbor, NI Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX Fittsburgh-Beaver Valley, FA	7		. :		:	:	:	:	1:1	-i:i	:
1/ Foods, fuels, and several other indicated: H - Every month. 1 - January. March, May, July 2 - February. April. June. Au 2/ Regions defined as the four Central indexes on a December 1980-100 pata not available. NOTE: Local area CF1 indexes are byprithe national ladex and is, there result. local ures indexes above	Leptenber	**************************************	entri ir.	hascal m	0100.						

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